

APPLICATION FOR PERMIT OF POULTRY EXEMPTION UNDER THE
VIRGINIA MEAT AND POULTRY PRODUCTS INSPECTION ACT

TO: The Commissioner
Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services
Richmond, VA 23219

Application is hereby submitted for a Permit of Poultry Exemption as provided by Public Law 90-492 and the Rules and Regulations governing the Inspection of Meat in the State of Virginia, and Subpart C of the Rules and Regulations Governing the Inspection of Poultry and Poultry Products in the State of Virginia.

The following information is submitted in support of this application:

A. Name of Establishment:

B. Owner:

C. Address:

City/Town:

VA Zip:

City/County:

Code:

D. Telephone Number: (Area Code)

E. Type of Exemption Applied For: (Check those that apply)

(1) 79 - Exempt Producer Grower

(2) 80 - Exempt Producer Grower or Other Person

(3) 81 - Exempt Small Business Enterprise

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The undersigned acknowledges an understanding of the requirements for exemption permits as provided by Public Law 90-492 and the Rules and Regulations Governing the Inspection of Meat in the State of Virginia, and Subpart C of the Rules and Regulations Governing the Inspection of Poultry and Poultry Products in the State of Virginia, and agrees to comply with same.

Signature of Owner or Manager

Date

Approved: YES () NO ()

OIC Compliance Staff

Date

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EXPLANATION OF EXEMPTIONS

(1) PRODUCER GROWER

THIS EXEMPTION IS EXACTLY WHAT IT IMPLIES, THE OPERATOR IS A GROWER. THERE IS A 20,000 BIRD LIMITATION INVOLVED. THAT COULD INCLUDE MIXED BREEDS, TURKEYS, CHICKENS, AND DUCKS, AS LONG AS CUMULATIVELY THEY DO NOT EXCEED 20,000 BIRDS.

HE OR SHE CAN SLAUGHTER, PROCESS, CUT OR BONE. YOU SHOULD NOTE THAT PROCESSING INCLUDES HERMETICALLY SEALED CONTAINERS, SUCH AS CANNED SOUPS, ETC., THE PRODUCER GROWER CAN SELL DIRECTLY TO CONSUMERS TO HRI, TO RETAIL MARKETS, AND TO DISTRIBUTORS. ONE STIPULATION REGARDING SALE TO DISTRIBUTORS IS THAT THE DISTRIBUTOR HANDLES EXEMPTED BIRDS ONLY. THE PRODUCER GROWER IS REQUIRED TO MARK PRODUCT AEXEMPTED UNDER PUBLIC LAW 90-492. @ THE OPERATOR MUST DEAL IN INTRA-STATE BUSINESS ONLY. THE OPERATOR MUST HANDLE EXEMPTED BIRDS ONLY, NO INSPECTED BIRDS ARE PERMITTED. THE PRODUCER GROWER CAN HANDLE EXEMPTED BIRDS FROM ANOTHER PRODUCER GROWER AS PASS THRU ONLY. THE OPERATOR IS SUBJECT TO REVIEW BY OMPS.

(2) PRODUCER GROWER OR OTHER PERSON

THIS EXEMPTION IS AGAIN EXACTLY AS IT INDICATES. IN THIS CASE, HOWEVER, YOU DO NOT HAVE TO BE A GROWER. THE REQUIREMENTS HERE ARE EXACTLY THE SAME AS PRODUCER GROWERS WITH TWO EXCEPTIONS. THIS OPERATOR CANNOT SELL TO DISTRIBUTORS OR RETAIL MARKETS. ALL OTHER REQUIREMENTS APPLY AND HE OR SHE IS SUBJECT TO MPI REVIEW.

(3) SMALL BUSINESS ENTERPRISE

THE MAIN DIFFERENCE IN THE EXEMPTION FROM PRODUCER GROWER AND PRODUCER GROWER OR OTHER PERSON ARE:

- CAN SLAUGHTER, BONE, AND CUT ONLY (NO FURTHER PROCESSING).
- PUBLIC LAW MARKING REQUIREMENT IS NOT NECESSARY. FULL LABELING IS. NAME AND ADDRESS AND PRODUCT NAME ARE REQUIRED.
- OTHER RESTRICTIONS STILL APPLY, BUT THE SMALL BUSINESS ENTERPRISE OPERATOR CAN HANDLE POULTRY CAPABLE FOR USE AS HUMAN FOOD. THIS WOULD INCLUDE OTHER EXEMPTED PRODUCTS, AS WELL AS INSPECTED PRODUCT.